25 October 1948

Lt. General Geoffrey Keyes Commanding General, USFA APO 777, c/o Postmaster New York, New York

Dear General:

I just returned to the States and to the office today, and I am writing to thank you most sincerely for all your kindness and hospitality to me during our stay in Vienna. You certainly left nothing undone in order to make the stay both a pleasant as well as a profitable one.

Please express my respects to Mrs. Keyes and thank her for me also, as well as telling her what a joy it was to talk about the old days in Panama.

I couldn't stop this letter without thanking you especially for your kindness in placing Captain Fleming at my disposal. He is certainly an able person, and in spite of my running him ragged he was always cheerful and courteous and most competent, and knew all the answers. I should like to commend him for a very excellent performance of duty.

Please do not hesitate to call upon me if I can be of service to you here in Washington, and again with deepest thanks and best wishes, believe me,

Most sincerely,

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R. H. HILLENKOETTER Rear Admiral, USN Director of Central Intelligence